

10/508812

JT12 Rec'd PCT/PTO 21 SEP 2004

Docket No.: SON-2651
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Takakiyo Kanazawa et al

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Confirmation No.:

Filed: September 21, 2004

Art Unit: N/A

For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS AND
OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

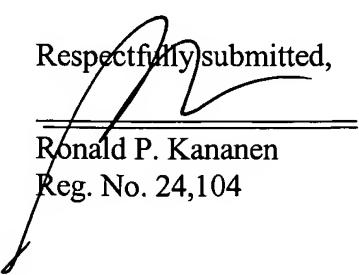
In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and MPEP 609, applicant through his attorneys and representatives, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the references noted on the attached Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed.

The references are cited in the International Search Report of applicant's corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/JP03/04771, a copy of which is enclosed.

It is requested that the Examiner review the references noted and make such consideration of record.

Dated: September 21, 2004

Respectfully submitted,


Ronald P. Kananen
Reg. No. 24,104

Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC
1233 20th Street
Washington, D.C. 20036
Telephone: (202) 955-3750
Facsimile: (202) 955-3751
Customer No. 23353

10/508812

DT1 c'd PCT/PTO 21 SEP 2004

PTO/SB/08a/b (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO				<i>Complete If Known</i>	
				Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
				Filing Date	September 21, 2004
				First Named Inventor	Takakiyo Kanazawa
				Art Unit	N/A
				Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	SON-2651

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	AA				
	AB				
	AC				
	AD				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	BA	JP 64-43822 A	02/16/89	Seiko Epson Corp.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	BB	JP 11-259894 A	09/24/99	Ricoh Co. Ltd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	BC	JP 2002-042368 A	02/08/02	Ricoh Co. Ltd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	BD	JP 2000-242956 A	09/08/00	Matsushita Electric Ind. Co., Ltd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	BE				
	BF				
	BG				
	BH				
	BI				
	BJ				
	BK				
	BL				

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.			T ²
	CA	International Search Report dated July 15, 2003			
	CB				

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------